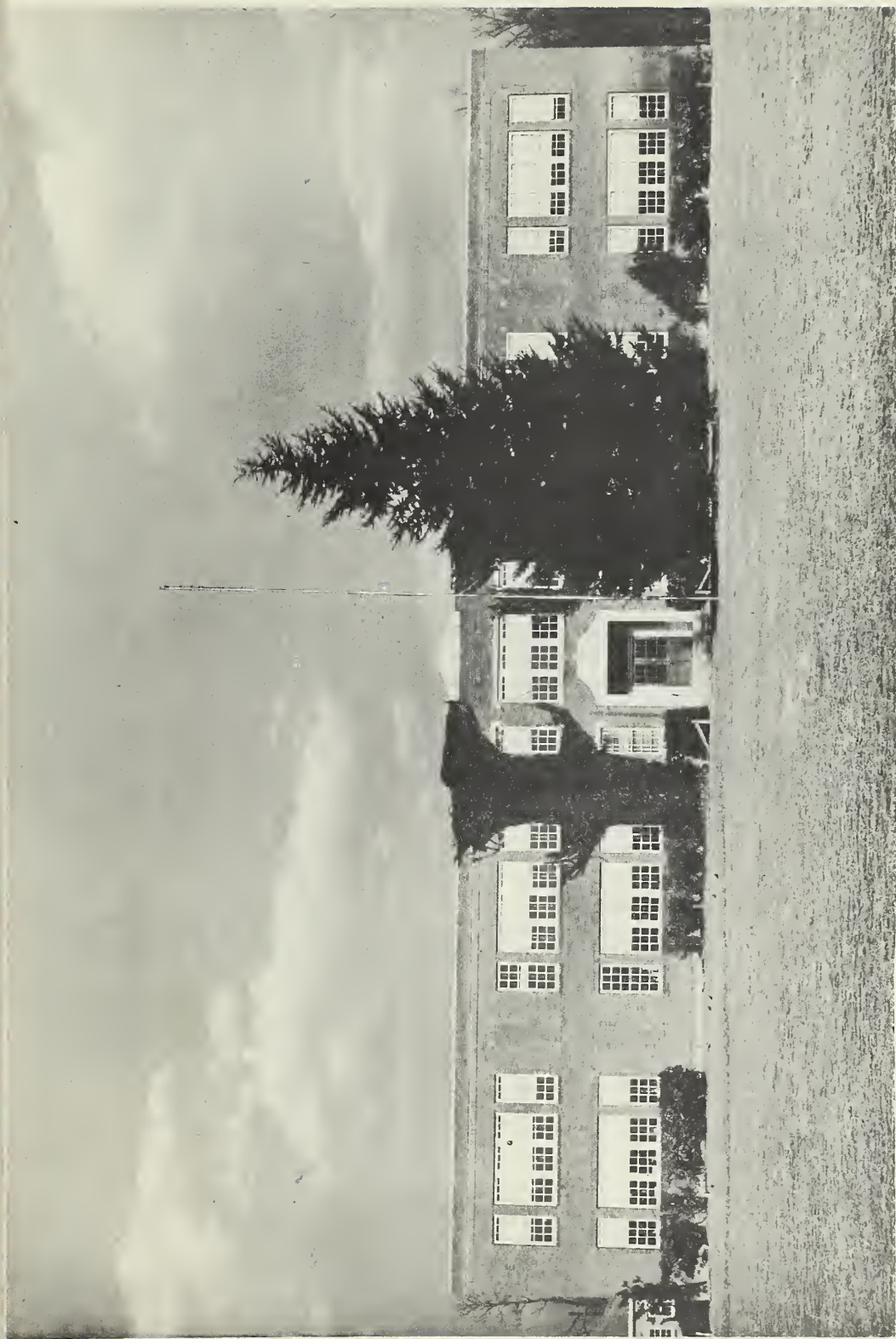
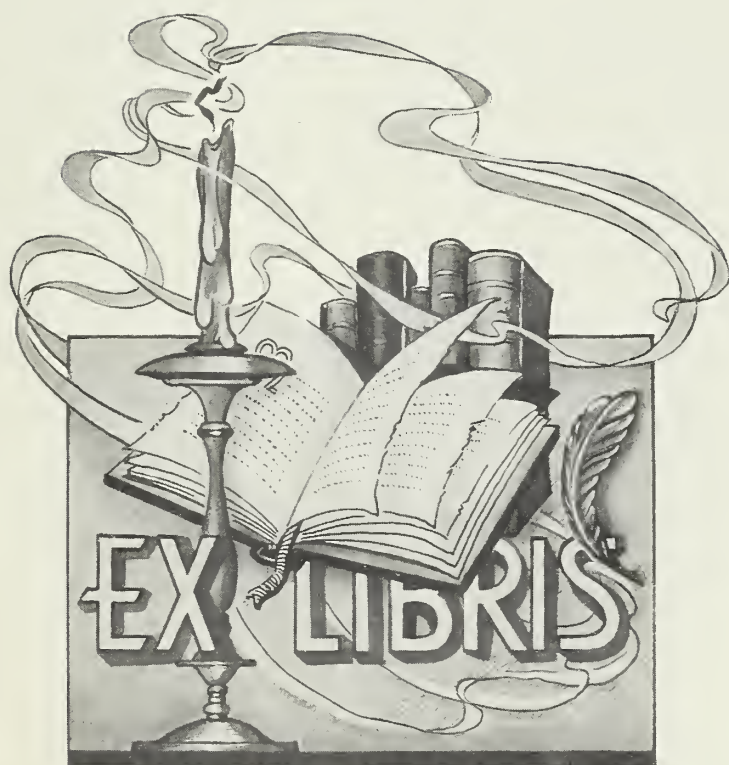




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Dedication

We, the class of 1947, wish to dedicate this publication of the Denisco with gratitude to two of our former teachers, Miss Inez Covington and Miss Elizabeth Crowell. We feel that it is only fitting that this our first annual, honor these our first teachers, who have kept before us the highest standards of honor; who have furnished us an example of Christian living; and who have inspired us with the finest ideals of mankind.



Miss Covington's first great work was the foundation of many students in the Denisco school. These years from 1918-1944 of patience and loving care with little boys and girls who enter the first grade her school results even with many who now have gone from this school. School life was always full with Miss Covington while in every detail she the symbol of real education. From our ABC's until now, we sincerely acknowledge our deep appreciation for the efforts of Miss Covington to make our lives full and complete from the very first.

Miss Covington will always make those whom she knew want to strive to meet her qualifications of a well rounded life. Also many who did not have the chance to be taught by Miss Covington have the knowledge of her wonderful works.

Miss Crowell, who has been with us longer in our high school career, will always live in our minds and hearts as a leader of those worthwhile attributes of character and scholarship, which so nobly lived before us as an example. She strove earnestly to instill in the minds and hearts of the pupils of Denisco School, Ambitions and desires for a true education that would fit them to be leaders, as well as worthwhile followers, in the paths where their fortunes will lead in life. From 1920 to 1946 Miss Crowell devoted her life and best efforts to the welfare of our school. In the hearts of many she finds a favorite spot; in the lives of all she leaves an indelible impression.



TO BOTH MISS. COVINGTON AND MISS. CROWELL WE GRATEFULLY AND SINCERELY EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR ALL THE EFFORTS IN OUR BEHALF.

IN MEMORIAM

TO

MR. JOE H. ROBINSON,
a deeply interested and active
member of the school board for
many years.



ADMINISTRATION



Mr. E.R. Smith Principal



Mrs. Eula B. Hudson



Miss Rebecca Simpson



Mrs. Frank A. Triol



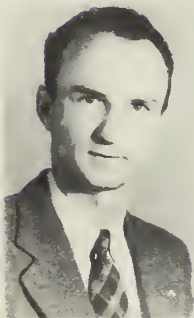
Mrs. F.S. Griffith



Mr. Henry L. Houston



Miss Mary E. Strickhouser



Mr. J.W. Whitesides Jr.



Mrs. Mary R. Cyres



Mrs. Idell Tucker



THE DeHisco STAFF

L.R. Bobby Watkins, Sara Cook, Paul Stewart, Jackie Turton, J.D. Tucker,
Ruth Kirkeey, Calvert Loveless, and Jean Case Austin.
absent- Ruth Furr, Bobby Williams, William Renson, Gladys Eury.

Editor-in-Chief	Bobby Watkins
Asst-Editor	Calvert Loveless

Business Staff	Jean Case Austin
	William Renson
	Ruth Kirkeey
	Paul Stewart

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Sports	Jackie Turton
Social	Ruth Furr
Art	Bobby Williams
Class	Gladys Eury
Photographs	J.D. Tucker

Faculty Advisor Miss Elizabeth Strickhouser





SENIORS

HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF '47

The class of 1947 registered at Derita High School in 1935. Miss Inez Covington was our first grade teacher.

The students who are graduating this year and who have been with the class since the first grade are Bobby Watkins, Mary Ann Stephens, Jean Case, Johnny Penninger, Max Eargle, J.D. Tucker, Jack Plyler, Angela Meyer, Ruth Kirksey, and Sarah Cook. The ones who have joined the class during the twelve years are Tom Allen, Jack Young, Paul Stewart, Calvert Loveless, Aileen Alexander, Mary Worth Bonum, George Bye, William Ranson, Gladys Eury, Ruth Furr, Jacquelyn Turton, Jacquelyn Davis, Helen Warwick, Frances Abernethy, Bobby Williams, Roy Pressley, and Preston Richardson. Doris Lehman and Brady Thomas, who were in our class, graduated in 1946.

During the years that we have been in Derita High School our principals have been Mr. C.R. Stroupe, Mr. G.R. Prince, Mr. M.N. Hunter, Mr. W.E. Derriok, Mr. J.N. Roberson, and our present principal, Mr. E.R. Smith.

Our year in the ninth grade was our first year in high school. This was something new to us. We changed classes and had five different teachers! We elected our first class officers: president, Joe Nunn; vice-president, Jacquelyn Davis; secretary and treasurer, Evelyn Bickley. Our advisers were Miss Leonard and Miss Crowell.

The school year of 1943 - 1944 was the first year Derita organized a Student Assembly.

In the tenth grade our officers were, president, Max Eargle; vice-president, Angela Meyer; secretary and treasurer, Evelyn Bickley.

Our class was the first twelfth grade of Derita High School. We were considered juniors for two years.

In the tenth grade we gave our first high school play directed by Miss Pearson. With the money we received from the play, we gave a Junior-Senior Banquet, for the seniors of 1945, held at Hotel Charlotte on May, 18 th.

Our junior marshalls were Ruth Furr, Bobby Watkins, Doris Lehman, George Bye, Jacquelyn Turton, Ruth Kirksey, and Max Eargle.

Our advisers in the tenth grade were Miss Pearson and Miss Simpson.

In the eleventh grade Ruth Kirksey was president of our class for the first semester and then she was elected president of the student council so we elected Ruth Furr as class president.

Near the end of the year our grade mothers gave us a tenth and eleventh grade banquet in the school cafeteria, after which we had a dance in our school gym.

At the end of the year our class gave a play, directed by Mrs. Griffith.

Our adviser in the eleventh grade was Mrs. Triol.

Our Senior year was a very exciting year. We got our class rings about a month after school started. We elected our class officers. President, Ruth Kirksey; vice-president, Ruth Furr; secretary, Jacquelyn Turton; treasurer, Jean Case. We selected our class motto: The Past Forever Gone, The Future Still Our Own. Our class colors: Green and White. Our class flowers: Red Roses.

During our senior year Derita's first Annual was published. The senior class sponsored the Annual. Bobby Watkins was editor. We held a contest to decide on a name for the Annual. William Ranson won the contest by submitting the name, De-Hi-Sco.

We gave our senior play in March directed by Miss Strickhouser.

Mrs. Hudson was our senior adviser.





LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the graduating class of 1947, being of sound mind and body, do and devise this, our last will and testament.

To the Freshmen - Perseverance
To the Sophomores - Will Power
To the Juniors - Ambition
To the Faculty - Peace

Ruth Kirksey wills her outstanding grades to Norma Tucker.
Jackie Turton leaves her position as Basketball Captain to Louella Allen.
Angela Meyer bequeaths her ability to pass French to Betty Davis.
Ruth Furr leaves her paroxided hair to Mary Ann Mundy.
Jean Austin bequeaths her talent to Eva Belle Potter.
Sarah Cook wills her wit to Jack McIver and Ross McKay.
Frances Abernethy leaves her basketball position to Joyce Dickson.
Mary Ann Stephens wills her shyness to Betty Ray Burris.
Alleene Alexander bequeaths her boyfriends to Helen McGraw and Maxine Pinyan.
Mary Worth Bonum leaves her originality to Frances Small, and Nancy Adams, and Barbara Wade.
Gladys Eury wills her position as librarian to Glen Howell and Lois Klouse.
Helen Warwick bequeaths her ability to get along with teachers to Nancy Tadlock and Dot Foster.
Jackie Davis leaves her dignity to Mary Ann Barr.
Paul Stewart bequeaths his pleasing personality to Raeford Johnston.
Jack Plyler wills his big mouth to Alton Harris.
Roy Pressley leaves his ambition to Elwin King.
William Ranson bequeaths his athletic ability to Raeford Chapman.
George Bye wills his laziness to Charles Little and Fred Hunter.
Jack Young leaves his flashy clothes to Dewitt Armstrong.
Johnny Penninger bequeaths his physique to Knox Carraway.
Tom Allen wills his ability to kick a football to Charles Stewart.
J. D. Tucker leaves his hair to Jimmy Hefner.
Bobby Watkins bequeaths his appetite to Tommy Perkins and Junior McGee.
Calvert Loveless wills his knowledge to Jay Mack Oehler and Wade Burris.
Max Eargle leaves his bashfulness to Everette Bridges and Jimmy Hardin.
Preston Richardson bequeaths his technique to Ed Bye.
Bobby Williams leaves Thank Heavens !!!

e CLASS  WILL e

PROPHECY

The other day a little "ole" woman came in the Senior Homeroom during activity period. She was wearing bright, flashy clothing and a jeweled turban on her head. As she walked in the room, carrying a box, everyone became quiet. She set the box on the table and then opened it. When she had done so, we discovered that the box contained a crystal ball. As she gazed in the ball she started talking. This is what she said.

Paul Stewart, successor to Hoagy Carmichael, now has his own radio show.

Mrs. Clarence Swearngan, the former Miss Sarah Cook, is now singing with Jack Young's orchestra at the Waldorf Astoria.

Calvert Loveless is editor of the New York Times.

Jackie Turton is a member of Jack Kachman's Hell Drivers appearing in Charlotte at the Southern States Fair.

Jean Austin is living in her winter home with her husband, Mac, and their two children, Sheril and Pat.

Mary Worth Bonum is with the Johnny Penninger Modeling Agency.

Jackie Davis made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera Company.

Ruth Kirksey is private secretary to Bobby Williams who owns a large steel manufacturing company in Pennsylvania.

Tom Allen, our glamour boy, has just signed another contract with 21st. Century Wolves.

Helen Warwick has returned home on a visit from Japan where she is a foreign missionary.

Red Ransoh was bought by the St. Louis Cardinals from the Brooklyn Dodgers last week.

Gladys Fury and Mary Ann Stephens own a public library in Derita.

Max Fargle owns a 1000 acre dairy farm near Mallard Creek.

Frances Abernethy, who is now married to Actor Jimmy Goodwin, has a little boy, James Jr., two weeks old.

Roy Pressley is now principal of Derita High School.

Mayor J.D. Tucker has just announced his approaching marriage.

Aileene Alexander is a nurse at the Plyer Rest Home.

Bobby Watkins is making plans to construct a bridge across the Atlantic Ocean.

George Bye has taken over Joe Mullis's stores.

Preston Richardson is singing on the Hit Parade. Yes, another Bing Crosby.

Ruth and Angela have opened the Furr-Meyer Theater on the square in Derita.



Frances Evelyn
Abernethy.
"Frankie"
Best Figure
Prettiest Hair
Most Athletic

Ambition;
Office Work

Monogram Club
Glee Club



Mary Aileen
Alexander
"Aster"

Ambition;
Office Work

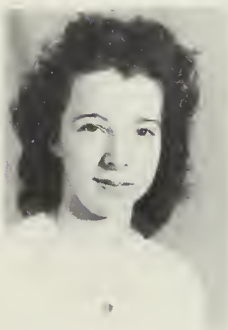
Glee Club

Mary Worth Bonum

Most Original

Ambition;
Secretary

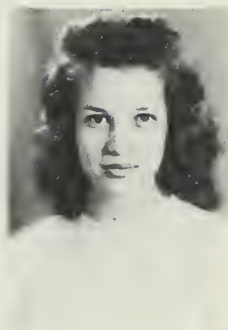
Glee Club



Thelma Jean Case
(Austin)

"Jean"
Prettiest Girl
Most Talented
Best Dressed

Ambition;
Housewife
Glee Club
Monogram Club



Sarah Saline Cook
"Sally"
Friendliest Girl
Wittiest
Cutest
Most Popular
Ambition;
Secretary

Glee Club

Best-All-Around



Jacqueline Louise
Davis
"Jackie"
Most Dignified

Ambition; Foreign
Correspondent

Glee Club
Monogram Club
Librarian



Gladys Mae Eury

Ambition;
Nurse

Librarian



Ruth Margaret
Furr
Ambition;
Secretary
Sec. Student
Council
Vic. Pres. Class
Beta Club





Ruth Venderburg
Kirksey
Most Studious
Most likely to
Succeed
Most dependable

Ambition;
Secretary
Pres. Class
Pres; Beta Club
Student Council



Angela Meyer
"Jelly"
Ambition;
Business
Executive



Mary Ann Stephens

Most Bashful

Ambition;
Secretary



Constance (Jackie)
Jacqueline Turton
"Sot"
Best Sport

Ambition;
Secretary
Captain-
Basketball team
Student Council

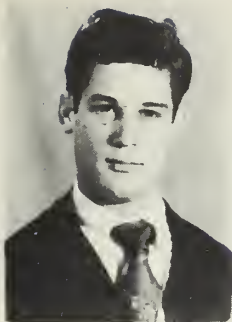
Beta Club
Monogram Club

Alma Helen Warwick

Ambition;
Missionary

Librarian





Thomas R. Shaw
Allen

Most Handsome
Prettiest Hair,

Ambition; Traveler

Monogram Club
FFA Club



George Lounsbury

Vice-Student Council
Best-All-Around
Most Influential

Ambition: Flyer

Monogram Club
Beta Club
Glee Club

Paul Barnes
Stewart

"Drip"
Most Talented
Wittiest

Ambition:
Used Car Dealer

Glee Club



Joseph Dudley
Tucker

"Luck"
Friendliest

Staff-DeHisco
Ambition;
Merchant Marine

Bus Driver



Calvert Lee

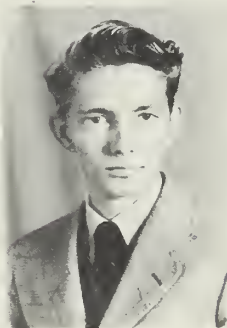
Loveless
Staff-DeHisco
Asst. Editor
Ambition;
Newspaper Man



Max Rupert Bangle
"Peak"
Most Dependable
Most Bashful

Ambition;
Radio Station
Owner

FFA Club
Beta Club

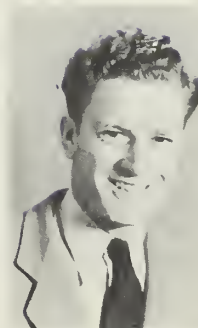


Roy Lee Pressley

Most Likely to
Succeed
Best Sport
Most Dignified
Most Popular

Ambition;
Electrician

Beta Club



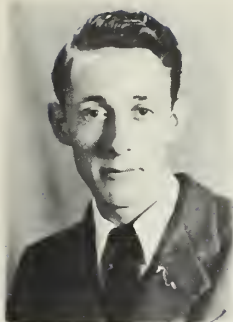
John (Johnny) Ellis
Penninger

Cutest
Best Physique

Ambition;
Go Around the
World

FFA Club
Glee Club
Monogram Club





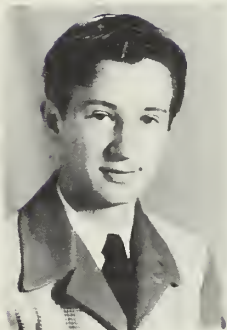
Jack Lydon
Plyer
"Stonewall"
Ambition;
Mechanic
Monogram Club



William Thorn
Ranson
"Red"
Most Athletic
Staff-DeHiSco
Ambition;
Professional
Athlete
Glee Club
Monogram Club

Eli Preston
Richardson
"Rock"

Ambition;
To Be Rich
Glee Club
Monogram Club



Robert (Bobby) Todd
Watkins
"Pinsqueek"
Most Studious

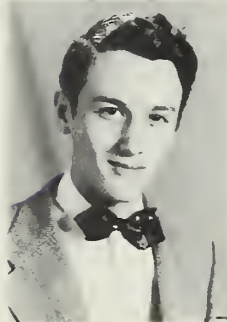
Ambition;
Independent
Bussinessman
Editor - DeHiSco

Glee Club
Beta Club
Bus Driver



Robert (Bobby) Neal
Williams Jr.
"Williams"
Most Original

Ambition;
Electrical
Engineer
Staff- DeHiSco



Jack Everette
Young
"Hoot"
Best Dressed

Ambition;
Be Independent
Glee Club
FFA Club



1947 MASCOT

Brenda Cook
"Cookie"



1947 MASCOT

Gregory Shamburg
"Greg"



Baby Pictures



T. ALLEN



S. COOK



G. EURY



B. WATKINS



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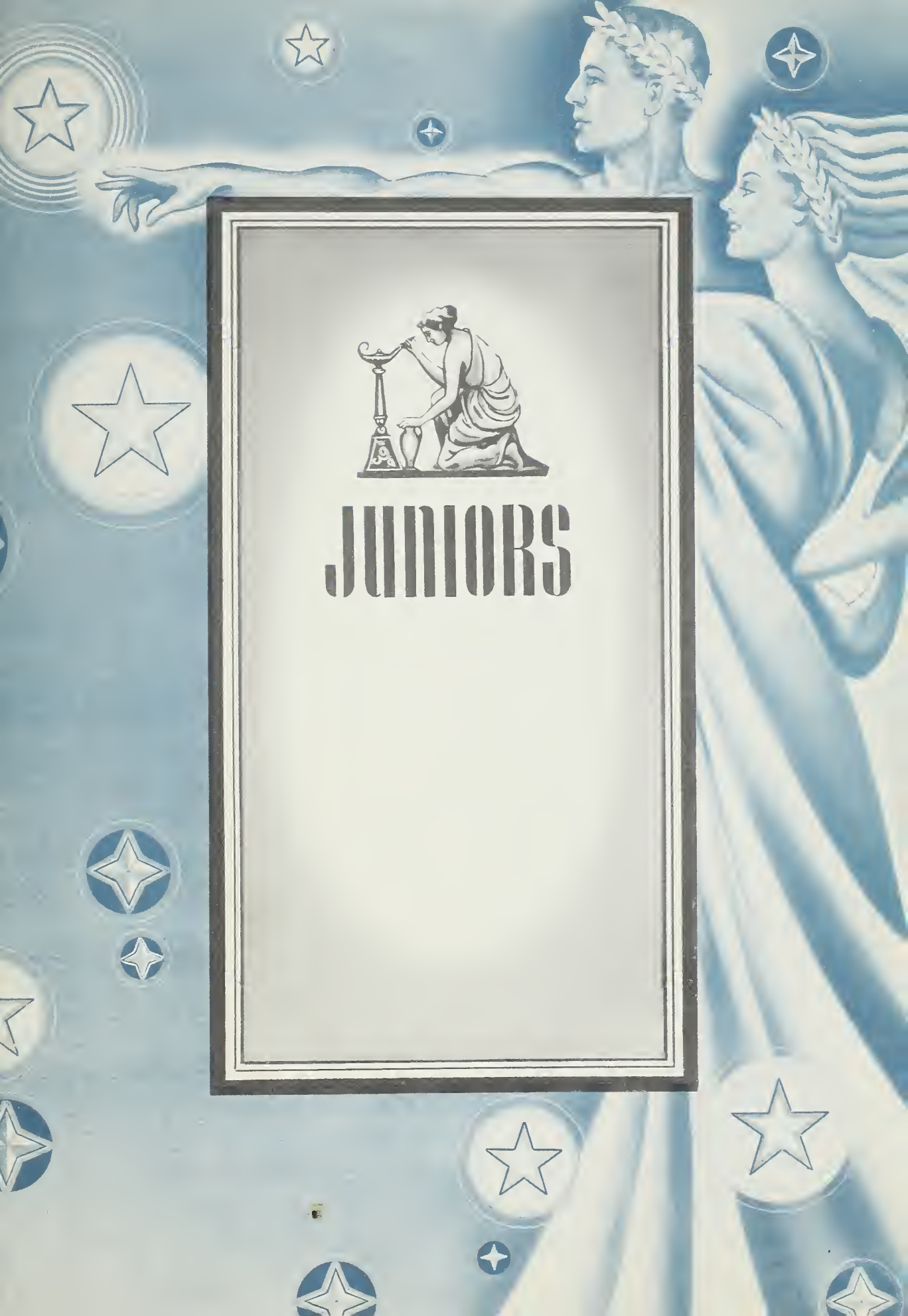
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M. A. STEPHENS



J. TURTON



JUNIORS



Nancy Adams



Louella Allen



Dewitt Armstrong



Mary Ann Barr



Everette Bridges



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Dorothy Foster



Jimmy Hardin



Alton Harris



Jimmy Hefner

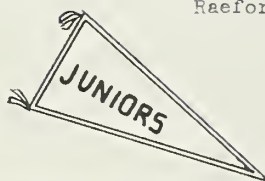


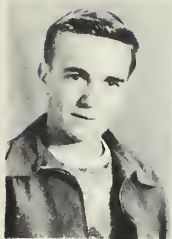
Glenn Howell



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John Lee Perkins



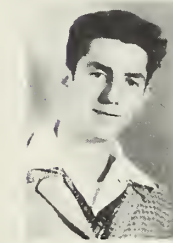
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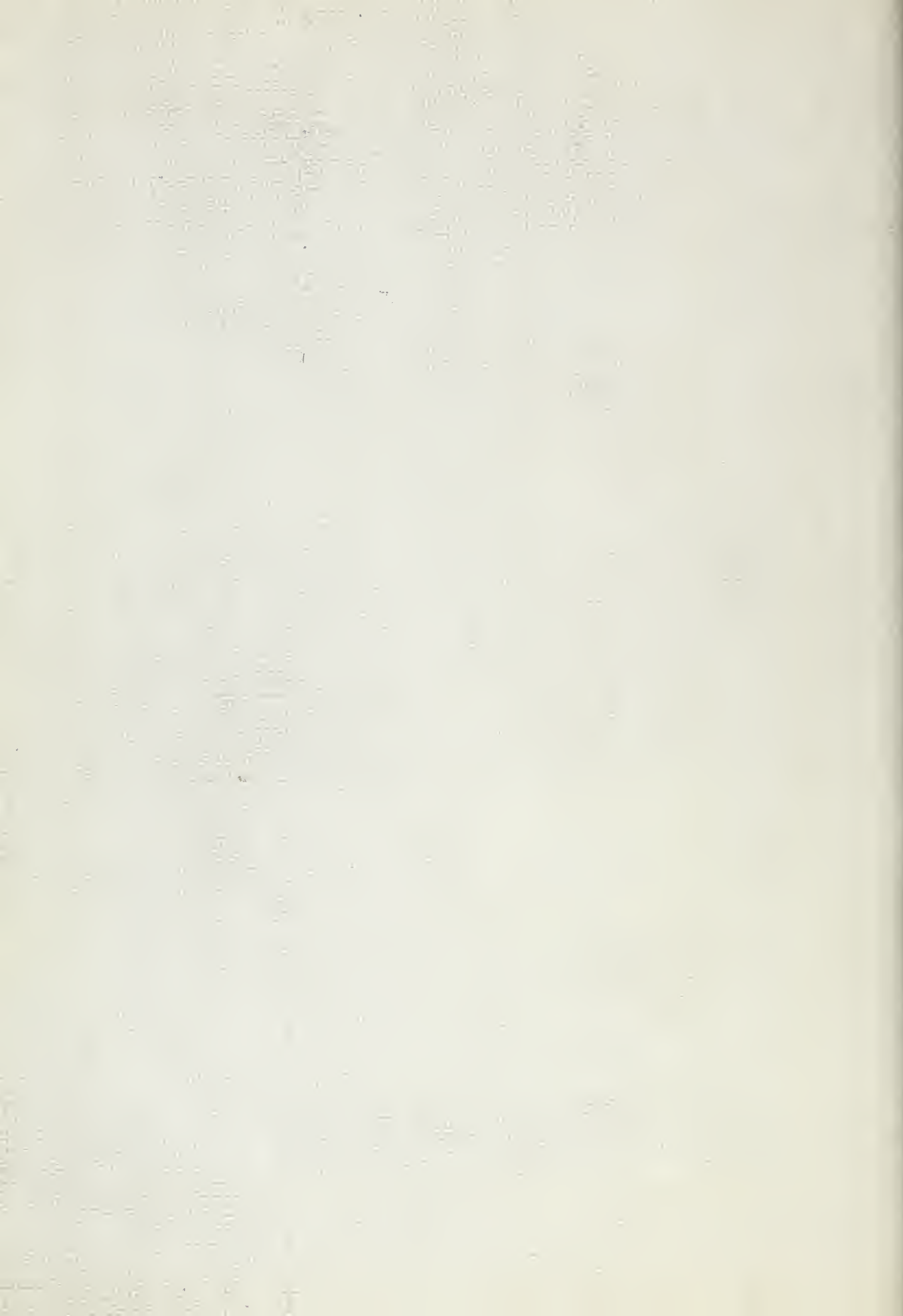
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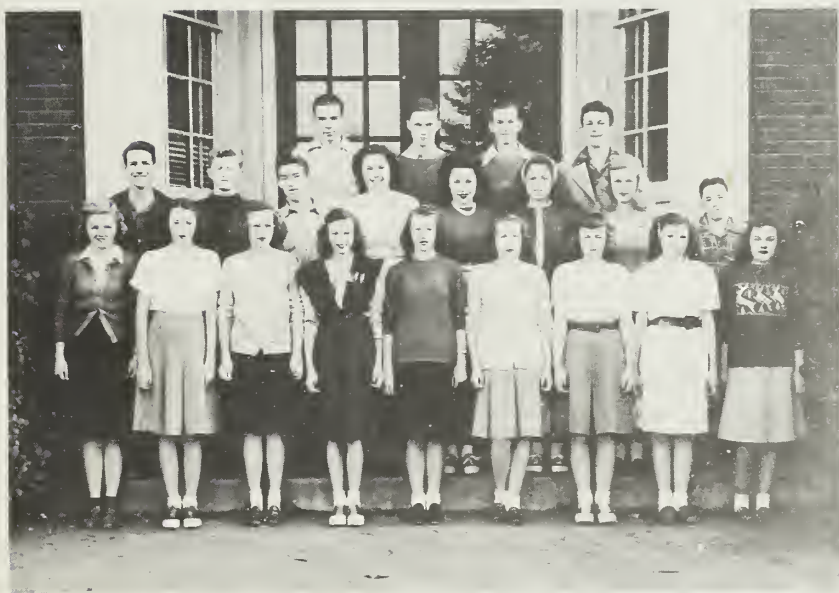




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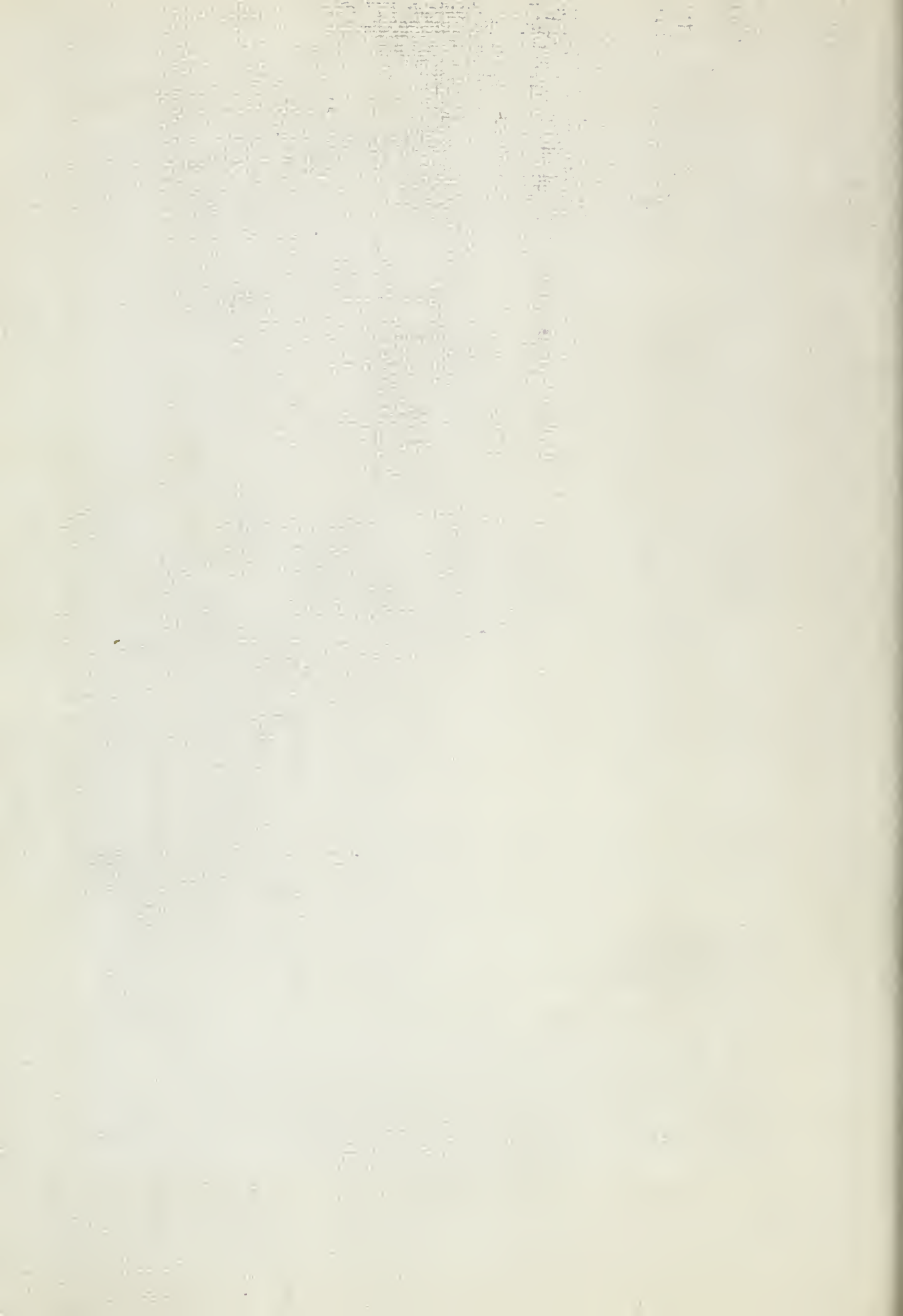
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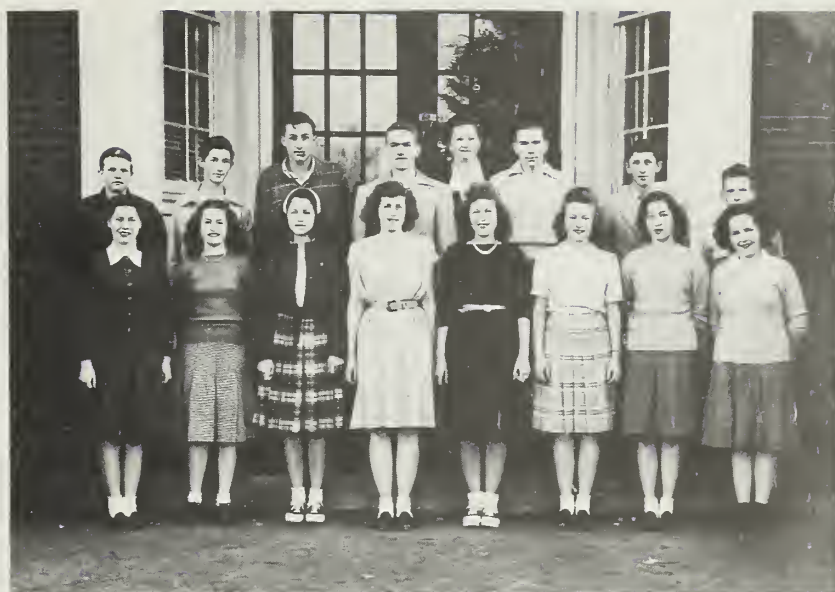
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 Second- Parnell, Efird, Bickley, Cochran, Cureton, Lehman, Herrin, Brown.
 Third- Overcash, Covington, Wooten, Cole, Smith, Mason, Stewart.
 Fourth- Harkey, Starnes, Little, Warwick, James, and Mrs. Triol.





ACTIVITIES





Student Council

L. F. Front, Helen Brown, J. Ann Watkins, Mary Ann Heiner, Ruth Kline, Ruth Ford, Joyce Dickson, Jackie Turton, and Evelyn Farnell.
Back-- Fred Gloschen, Ed Bye, Boyd Broome, Jimmy Hofer, Mrs. Hudson, and J. Chen-
ren, President-- George Ebe, and Alvin Seeley.



Field Club

L. F. Front, James Wright, Betty Gifford, Frances Smith, Alvin Seeley, and J. Chen-
ren, Mary Ann Heiner, Joan Smith, and Evelyn Farnell.
Center-- Jackie Turton, Ruth Ford, Ruth Kline, George Ebe, Ed Bye, and Boyd Broome.
Back-- Lewis Williams, Elicette Billings, Roy E. [unclear], and [unclear].



BETA CLUB

The Beta Club is composed of twenty charter members from tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades. These members were chosen by the principal and faculty. The requirements for membership are:

- (1) Average B grade
- (2) Outstanding character
- (3) Qualities in leadership

The officers of the club are as follows:

President- Ruth Kirksey

Vice President- Mary Ann Hefner

Secretary and Treasurer- Jackie Turton

Ten members and their faculty advisor, Miss Strickhouser, attended the State Convention in Winston-Salem.

STUDENT COUNCIL

The purpose of the Student Council is to arouse school spirit and help the students become more co-operative. Our Student Council is composed of five members from the twelfth grade, and four members from each of the other classes which include ninth, tenth, and eleventh grades.

The officers of the council are:

President- George Bye

Vice President- Ed Bye

Secretary- Ruth Furr

Treasurer- Johnny Penninger

The Student Council Convention was held in Charlotte. Most of the members and faculty advisor, Mrs. J.M. Hudson, attended.

MONOGRAM CLUB

The Monogram Club is composed of students who have earned letters by playing basketball, baseball, or being a cheerleader. There are about twenty-five members in this club.

The officers of the club are:

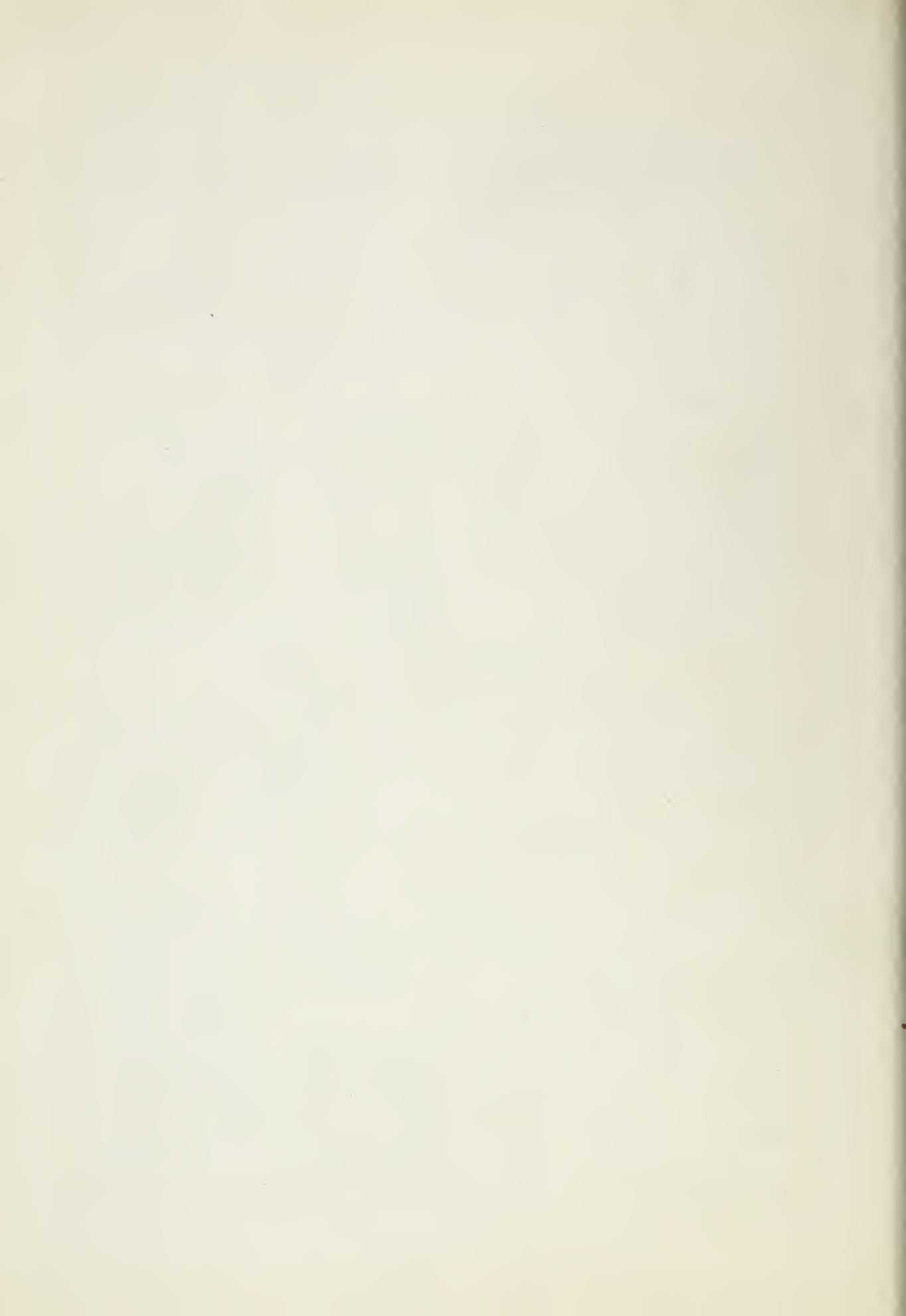
President- William Ranson

Secretary and Treasurer- Jackie Turton

Advisor- Miss Rebecca Simpson

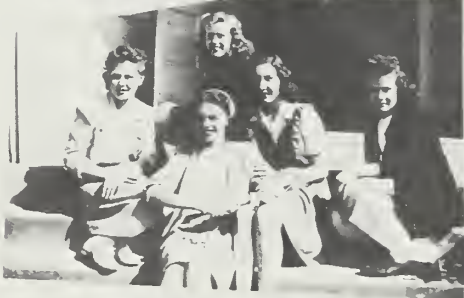
This club was organized this year.















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FFA Boys

L:R Front-B.Allen,Gibbons,Burris,Wingate,McGraw,Garrison,Farrell,Seager,
Bisaner.
L:R Second-Mr.Whitesides,T.Allen,Keith,Eargle,Nunn,Lawing,Abernethy,Penninger.
L:R Third-Broome,Bridges,Holland,Mason,Cornelison,Dickson,Black.
L:R Fourth-Young,Oehler,Kirk,McKay,F.Hunter,W.Hunter.



L:R 30 Rock - from school - S., ...
L:R 30 Rock - from school - S., ...
J.S. Tucker - S., ...
... to school - S.



GRADE TEACHERS

L.R. Irma Gabriel, Mary Alexander, Mrs. Margaret McConnell, Nell Wilson, Mrs. Mabel B. Chapman, Mrs. Gerhes Linnard, Willie Cornelius, Mrs. Evelyn Alexander, Sara Bernette, Mrs. Deane Hill, Mrs. T.A. Ligon, Mrs. W.H. Tarrant, Mrs. Dorothy Williams, D. Morris Wilson, Mrs. Iell Tucker, and Mrs. Bernette Nye.

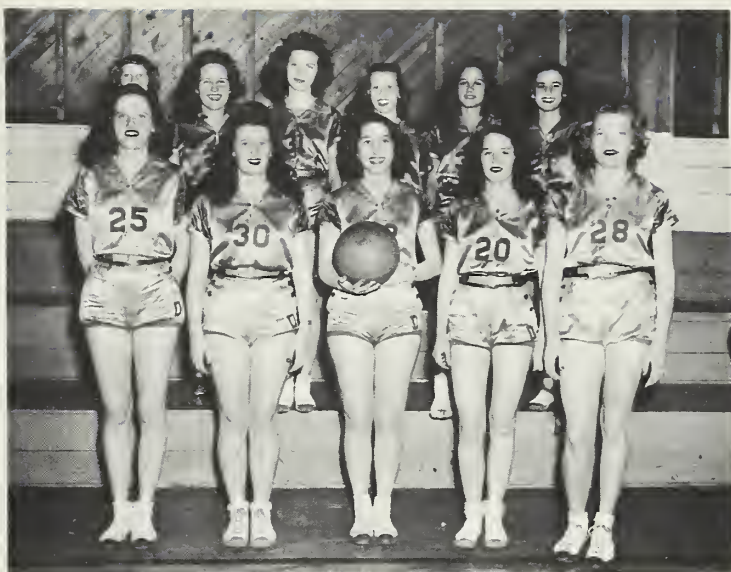


CHEER LEADERS

L.R. Kneeling - Martha Ann Rice, Billy Frank Hunter, Suzanne Liantburne
L.R. Standing - Betty Davis, Robert Barr, Betty Shoske, & Frances Small



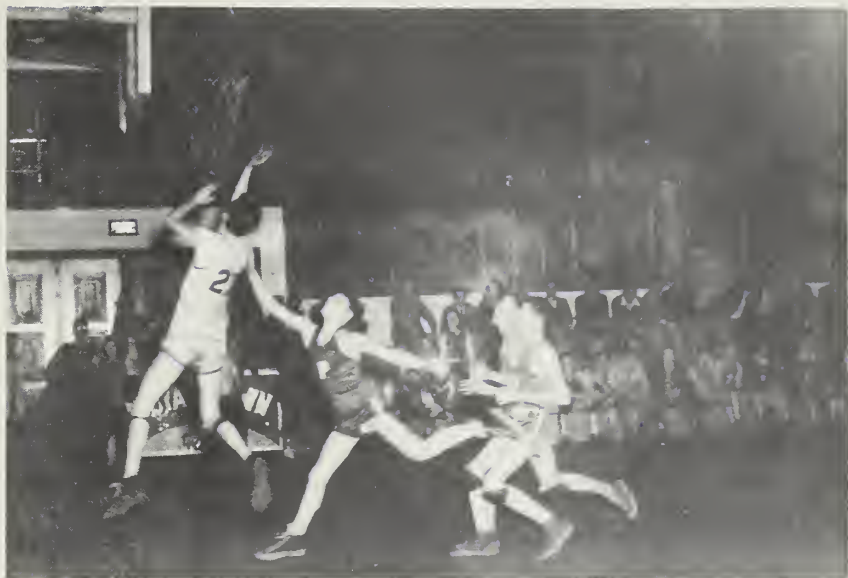
ATHLETICS



L.R. Front - Mary Ann Barr, Frances Abernethy, Jackie Turton, Louella Allen, and Betty Rae Burris.
 L.R. Back - Barbara Jo Hunter, Evelyn Barnell, Maxine James, Thelma Crocker, Mary Ann Hefner, and Nancy Adams.



L.R. Kneeling - Johnny Pennington, Edwin King, Jimmy Hefner, and Preston Elomarlson.
 L.R. Standing - El Eye, El Furr, Charles English, William Benson, Bob Cochran, Tony Perkins, Bill Pettett, George Eye and Coach; Harvey James.



TOMMY IN ACTION



JOHN FREDERICK, JR.

BOYS BASKETBALL 1946-1947

The boys have improved a great deal over last year's standings. At the completion of the season they have a percentage of eight wins and five losses or 783. They have the same first string as last year with a new coach, Harvey James --- a former student of Derita High School.

With high scoring honors, we have William (Red) Ranson with 84 points and as runner-up "Little" Ed Bye with 75 points.

According to last year's standings, the boys should be proud of themselves as well as the spectators. Our boys have been very good sports and have a defense that can't be beat. We are very proud of them and think they should be highly praised.

According to the votes cast by members of the Derita Boy's team, George Bye is the Best-All-Around player on the team.

The scores by games for the boys of this season are as follows:

DERITA	OPPONENT
16	Berryhill 20
28	Bain 22
16	Cornelius 5
15	Sharon 16
12	Paw Creek 34
21	Huntersville 17
31	Pineville 24
24	Long Creek 21
27	Oakhurst 13
22	Thomasboro 49
29	Matthews 35
21	Berryhill 18
38	Newell 18
<u>300</u>	<u>292</u>

GIRLS BASKETBALL 1946-1947

This year the girls have on the casualty list Mary Ann H. with a broken ankle as a result of the game with Thomasboro. Two others, Dickson and Turton, with a sprained wrist and a broken finger. The girls won two games, one over Huntersville by the score of 30-20 and the other over Newell by the margin of 35-12. Even though they lost several games by one and two points, they played good ball all season.

With high scoring honors Louella Allen tops them all with 121 points and "Beanpole" (M.A. Barr) close runners-up with 99 points.

Louella Allen was voted as the best-all-around player of the girls team.

This season the team was coached by Miss R. Simpson, captained by Jackie Turton and co-captained by Louella Allen.

The scores of this season of the girl's games are as follows:

DERITA	OPPONENT'S
34	Berryhill 53
21	Bain 36
19	Cornelius 21
23	Sharon 24
23	Paw Creek 35
30 17	Huntersville 20
23 35	Pineville 30
23	Long Creek 51
21 <u>323</u>	Oakhurst 46
38	Thomasboro 51
16	Matthews 50
	Berryhill 36
	Newell 12
	<u>465</u>



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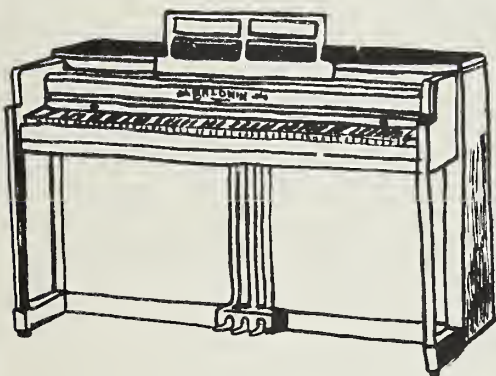
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